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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Eduard Mülleder et al.

Serial No. : 09/244,323 Examiner : L. Tentoni

Filed : February 3, 1999 Group Art Unit : 1732

For : METHOD OF PRODUCING CELLULOSE FIBERS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

1. ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
2. ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
3. ☐ No additional fee is required.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on April 25, 2000.

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					RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE	
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4.(a)[X] An Extension of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated February 8, 2000 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Extension for response (check only one):

	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
Within first month	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 55	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 110
Within second month	<input type="checkbox"/>	190	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	380
Within third month	<input type="checkbox"/>	435	<input type="checkbox"/>	870
Within fourth month	<input type="checkbox"/>	680	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,360

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

☐ An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$380.00.

or

(b)[X] In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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5. ☐ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-4377 in the amount of \$. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$380.00 is attached.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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Enclosures